Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Monday, October 20, 2008 – 6:00 PM Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center 526 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI

1) ROLL CALL

Present: A. Higgins, President, J. Schwenk, Vice President; Pastor Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer; J. Sharp, J. Frank, C. Kime, J. Danen, M. Van Handel

Absent, excused: B. Weycker, J. Weycker

Absent, unexcused: R. Chronert

2) INVITED GUESTS

Tony Theisen, Alderperson: absent. If Tony would win the state assembly seat, the Mayor selects the temporary replacement for the Alderperson.

Officer Brian Schilt: absent

CSI's: absent

3) APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2008 MINUTES

4) TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS

M/S/C to approve the September 2008 minutes, and the October 2008 Treasurer's report

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Newsletter: Joann asks that articles be in by December 01. She suggests the President's message, update on River Trail clean-up, Christmas luminary decorations (Jesse will write up), snow removal.

There was a question if we could promote a "wish list" from Howe Resource Center in our Astor Outlook. We feel that, legally, we're OK if we would promote Howe.

- b. Oct. 25, 9 AM River Trail Clean-Up: There isn't a lead person at this time. Andrew will get garbage bags. Please meet at the trail head near Porlier. We're invited to a kid-friendly Halloween party at 818 Eliza (Hoyers) that same day, about 2-5 PM
- c. Oct. 30 Pumpkin Carving & Decorating Contest: Mike mentioned that only one person is "legally" signed up. \$25/15/10 gift certificate prizes. The judges will canvass the neighborhood, for other entrees. A 1st place traveling trophy (up to \$75 is authorized) will be stored by the ANA Board.

M/S/C to approve gift certificate purchases.

d. Wine-tasting: probably Sat., January 31, 2009. Assefs and Weyckers have volunteered their homes. Rosemary Hinkfuss will also be asked, as there can be up to 100 people in a house at a time.

6) OLD BUSINESS

a. Hospital Employee Smoking Issue: the issue seems to have faded, as neighbors have mentioned things have approved. A recent article in a Bellin newsletter is positive.

7) NEW BUSINESS

a. ANA Board Member Binders & Document Access: see the packets of information distributed at the Sept. 2008 meeting. Should we update and print it up, for ring binders, or just post the information electronically? It was suggested to put it on a "wiki", where it can be updated easily by authorized members. It might be more transparent to have all this information, updated, on our web site, under "Board member info". The Bylaws should be posted for all. Jamie has volunteered to update this information. Jesse will also start up the "wiki".

8) OPEN FORUM

- a. Extra Popcorn in Park supplies: donate to 1st Lutheran Church, and Jennie will bring the little Scooter pies along for the Howe Resource Center.
- b. ICS Self-Sufficiency event: Andrew was impressed with the group. Jennie was ill, and wasn't able to attend. Their goal is to try to get single mothers off of welfare.
- c. We received an email that cars about 1100 S. VanBuren, and 1100 S. Webster were recently broken into.
- d. The Howe Resource Center hosts a monthly meal, with activities, through donations. \$300 per month. Navarino has routinely donated.

M/S/C to fund a month, at \$300.

e. Have we ever considered a house Christmas decorating contest? Jennie will write up some ideas for the Astor Outlook.

9) ADJOURN, 7:20 PM

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Monday, November 17, 2008, 6:00 p.m. at HNFRC, 526 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI.

Respectfully submitted, Pastor Paul Schleis, Secretary